

SPECIFICATION

[0038] Prior to insertion of the cannulated prosthesis 38 a second cement deflector is fitted to its distal tip, this deflector being of the kind shown in FIGS. 11 to 14 and being the subject of U.S. Patent 5,788,7046,217,583. The embodiment of this type of deflector is described below and in FIG. 8. A deflector of the type shown in FIG. 14 is utilized. Prior to placing cannulated prosthesis 38 on guide wire 31 the second cement deflector, indicated by reference numeral 90, is placed on guide wire 31. The wire is then engaged onto the distal tip of prosthesis 38 which moves down guide wire 31 and together with the second deflector 90 is introduced into the opening. Because of the material from which the deflector 90 is made it acts to seal the interface between wire 31 and the surface of the bore in the cannulated prosthesis. As cement deflector 90 approaches the distal end of the opening in the first cement deflector 55 prosthesis 38 and second deflector 90 lodges in the deflector 55 as shown in FIG. 16.